

3738



Customer No.: 26308

PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: Mark A. Reiley

Docket No.: 9448.17205-CIP DIV

Serial No.: 10/615,727

Examiner: David Isabella

Filed: 9 July 2003

Group Art Unit: 3738

For: Facet Arthroplasty Devices and Methods

Mail Stop Non-Fee Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
PO Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

RECEIVED

AUG 13 2003

TECHNOLOGY CENTER R3700

AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

1. Transmitted herewith is an amendment for this application.

STATUS

2. Applicant is

☒ a small entity

☐ other than a small entity.



26308

PATENT TRADEMARK OFFICE

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING (37 CFR 1.8(a))

I hereby certify that this paper (along with any referred to as being attached or enclosed) is being deposited with the United State Postal Service on the date shown below with sufficient postage as first class mail in an envelope addressed as follows:
Commissioner for Patents, PO Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Julie A. Wolf

Type or print name of person mailing paper

Date: 8/1/2003

Julie A. Wolf

(Signature of person mailing paper)



Customer Number: 26308

Patent

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application of: Mark A. Reiley

Examiner: David Isabella

Serial No: 10/615,727

Group Art Unit: 3738

Filed: July 9, 2003

For: Facet Arthroplasty Devices and Methods

**COMMUNICATION REGARDING
PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

RECEIVED

AUG 13 2003

Hon. Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

TECHNOLOGY CENTER R3700

Sir:

This Communication Regarding Preliminary Amendment is being submitted prior to prosecution on the merits.

Remarks

New claims 32 and 33, added by the Preliminary Amendment dated July 16, 2003, are copies of claims 10 and 23 in U.S. Patent No. 6,419,703 (copy enclosed). The undersigned attorney inadvertently omitted this disclosure of the source of the new claim language. This oversight is promptly being cured.

Applicant respectfully directs the Office's attention to MPEP Section 2307, and in particular 2307.06.